Heb. 10 35 Cast not away therefore your boldness, which hath great recompense of reward.

Entering the New Year with Boldness.

Intro. I have been asked, "Is the world growing better?" My first answer is "No." My fear said "No." In the face of the facts as they present themselves I have the courage to say, "Yes, I can see the world getting better."

1. The world's changing attitude toward the truth, the reality of things.

How we used to seek the truth, then label it & store it away, today we are tearing away the wrappings and are appropriating as much of the reality of things as makes for the health of our bodies, the development of our minds, and the peace & power of our deeper selves.

In harmony with Nature & Life we are appropriating all good for our good. Real

The sea, the pine, the stars, the forest deep,
Bequeath to me at will their subtle ewalth.
Or still days brood, or rough winds round me
sweep,
Mine is the bouyant earth-man's vibrant health.
All things for the love of me their vigils
keep--
I am the sould of health, of wealth.

Run, sea, in my heart!
Pine, sing in my heart!
Stars, glow in my heart!
For ye are mine, and my soul,
Like ye, is a part
Of the Universal Whole.

2. I see a new courage
springing up in the world.
a courage expressed in
denials and affirmations.

Stronger stronger grows the denial of

1. a God who is a refuge carpenter
2. a Deity who need to be appeased
3. a Providence which punishes.
4. a heaven reserved for the elect
who believe certain things.
5. a hell of damnation for the unelect
6. evil that is necessary.
7. that religion needs anything
to do with creeds, rites, or
ceremonies.

I many rather things the
hundreds of false that selfishness,
and fear.

there are still many sins (6)
to be gotten rid of!
- of hate, of fire, of disease
of accident, of death, of public
opinion, of bankruptcy or failure,
- of one another.

It is not enough for us to turn
our backs upon the Neglect.
we must face the Sun & boldly
walk into the Blaze -
Stronger & Stronger grow the af-
firmations of the New Life.

1. Every man, woman, & child
is entitled to health, happiness,
and power.
2. Every man, woman, & child is

entitled to all that is good, beautiful, & true. (5)

3. God is not only of the Jews nor only for the Gentile. He is the Infinite all-good, free to all, without human restrictions.

We can put our New Year Resolutions in the form of denials & affirmations. You can make your own: I shall give you some of mine.

I deny

1. that God is vindictive or wrathful,
2. that the state or the church or the age in which I live has a right to enslave me.
3. I deny that I am low-born or of base blood.
4. I deny that either ignorance or depravity is decreed to me.
5. I deny that I am weak, down on my luck, unhappy, or depressed.

I affirm

1. that God and all his goodness
love + power is for
everybody as well as for
me!
2. I affirm my independence
of all creeds + systems
of thot.
3. I affirm myself to be the
friend of God and fellow
men!
4. I affirm that I shall be
useful and successful.
5. I affirm that in Christ I
shall grow - living and
unfolding forever!